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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-Final Office Action mailed on December 1, 2008 and having a shortened term of response set to expire on March 1, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: